

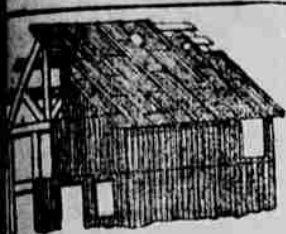
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**TODAY'S FORECAST.**

**LAUREL ROCK.** A six-day run-  
ning meeting will begin today.  
**CHICAGO.** Evangelist Moody will con-  
duct a series of revival meetings for four  
beginning today. The auditorium  
will be the scene of his meetings.

**LOUISVILLE.** Le Cere's Promenade of Har-  
vard will today give its first of three per-  
formances at the University. The comedy "Le Bour-  
geois Gentilhomme" will be the attraction. This comedy was  
first produced in 1668 and is in a flourishing con-  
dition today.

**NEW YORK.** Maurice Barrymore is the  
star of a new play which is being  
produced up by the continuous per-  
formances of the play. The play is  
being produced on the vaudeville stage at  
this time.

**NEW YORK.** Jack Everhardt and Kid  
Baker are scheduled to meet at the  
Madison Square Garden tonight for a  
fight. The men have never met  
before and a meeting is looked for  
at this time.

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## TEXAS WAS SWEEPED BY A STORM.

**Reported That Calvert Has Been Almost Completely Destroyed.**

## DAMAGE TO THE UNIVERSITY AT AUSTIN.

**Railroads Have Tied Up Their Trains Until Daylight--Smithville Was Damaged--Trinity River Is on a Rise and Brazos Tributaries Are Full--No Fatalities Yet Reported.**

Corpuscular, Texas, March 28.—Information reached this city this evening of the almost complete destruction of Calvert, a town of 4000 inhabitants on the Houston and Texas Central railroad, in which a number of people were injured.

Calvert, Texas, March 28.—A cyclone passed over this city this afternoon at 4.15 o'clock, lasting about fifteen minutes. So far no lives have been reported lost, but several persons are severely injured. Estimated that over \$100,000 damage to property resulted.

## GULF ON A RAMPAGE. NORTH TEXAS REPORTS.

**THE BREAKERS WERE VERY HIGH AT GALVESTON.**

**For a Time Inundation of the Island Was Feared--The East End Was Overlaid.**

Galveston, Texas, March 28.—The Gulf was on a rampage this evening and the breakers off shore in front of the beach hotel rolled mountain high. The waves would strike against the bulkheads in a mad effort to surmount them and send the spray far over into the beach hotel yard. The waves dashed up against the fence of the beach ball park and the water ran inside; it covered the street car track on the curve from Center street to the beach hotel and travel on that part of the road had to be temporarily abandoned. The waves nearly reached the top of the gallery at O'Keefe's bath house, rising high enough to send the spray dashing and splashing over the floors.

In the East End a good deal of danger threatened. The Gulf overflowed into the streets and filled some of the yards, as well as the streets, with water. The inhabitants went out with spade and shovel opening trenches to allow the water to pass through and find its way, if need be, to the bay across the island. The wind was blowing at the rate of forty-eight miles an hour and the sight presented by the angry sea was superb, as the waves came surging, one upon another, with impetuous haste and sullen roar. Hundreds of people were out along the beach from the East End clear all the way around, and all seemed to enjoy the spectacle.

When the wind was at its height, blowing from the south, there seemed to be every probability that the island would be pretty well inundated and the prospects seemed to be good for a storm of some proportions. At 6:30 the weather bureau reported the maximum velocity of the wind about forty-eight miles an hour, with the barometer falling and indications that the storm, which developed in the Rio Grande valley this morning, had passed to the north and such alarm as had been felt was dissipated.

### IN NAVARRO COUNTY.

**Damage in Farming District Can Not Be Ascertained.**

Carlsburg, Texas, March 28.—The storm passed this city to the southwest at about 3 o'clock, doing damage in the western portion of Navarro county in farming districts, the extent of which it is impossible to ascertain tonight. The rainfall was exceedingly heavy, and it is feared has been very disastrous to growing crops.

Mayor Whitfield received information from Calvert this evening asking that tinners and carpenters be dispatched to the storm-stricken town.

All trains on the Houston and Texas Central railroad are tied up on the north as far as Ennis and as far south as Houston, and trains will not be moved before morning.

Trains on the Cotton Belt road are moving on time.

### AT SMITHVILLE.

**Stores, Churches and Small Residences Were Badly Damaged.**

Smithville, Texas, March 28.—A cyclone passed over this town at 4 o'clock this evening, doing considerable damage. The evening, doing considerable damage. The ground was covered with a solid sheet of water within twenty minutes after it blew up. It is still raining slowly now at 5:30 p. m., and looks like it will continue some time. Crops were needing rain badly, but this will injure them. Hillside lands will be badly washed by this flood and many farmers will have to plant over.

### WRECK RUINED.

**Central Passenger Train Said to Have Been Wrecked at Ennis.**

Dallas, Texas, March 28.—A wreck of the southbound Houston and Texas Central passenger train, leaving here tonight at 8:30, is reported to have occurred at Ennis, twenty miles south of here. Owing to the damaged condition of the wires on the Central, no particulars of the accident can be learned.

### Narrow Escapes.

Mr. D. Mahoney of Beeville, a passenger on last night's Katy, phoned The Post that on the outskirts of Smithville a negro cabin was blown away yesterday afternoon. There were a dozen negroes in the house, all of whom were bruised and hurt more or less, but none of them seriously, though when the wind struck the house it seemed impossible for any of them to escape.

### At Richmond.

Richmond, Texas, March 28.—A strong east wind has been blowing here all day, getting very high at times. Several fences were blown down.

**THE TRINITY IS AGAIN ON A BIG ROOM.**

**The Railroads Are Tied Up by the Heavy Rain--Dallas Was Fearful of a Cyclone.**

Dallas, Texas, March 28.—Torrents of rain fell over North Texas today. Fierce gales accompanied the storm in the vicinity of Dallas and about 2 o'clock much alarm was felt, as there were conditions suggestive of a cyclone. The day became so dark that lights had to be used in dwellings and hotels throughout the city. The worst alarm was felt in the suburbs, where fences, trees and outbuildings were damaged.

In the business part of town a few signs and awnings wrecked was the extent of the damage done.

Streets, sewers and cellars were flooded and streetcar traffic crippled. The Trinity river, which had gotten within its banks after the storm of a week ago, is rising rapidly and is again overflowing the lowlands. By morning the water will be higher than it has been before this year. Immense quantities of drift are passing Dallas, indicating heavy rain on the upper river.

All trains on the Santa Fe and the Missouri, Kansas and Texas roads are tied up here and abandoned to the south.

The Santa Fe has lost two bridges between Dallas and Cleburne and the Missouri, Kansas and Texas one between Hillsboro and Waxahachie. There are a number of bad washouts reported also.

The Houston and Texas Central and the Texas and Pacific trains are all late, but the officials say no serious damage has been reported on their lines.

The bridge across the north fork of the Trinity river on the Wichita Falls division of the Katy, nine miles north of Dallas, was washed away tonight. The south-bound passenger came near being drenched at this point. The trainmen were forced to back into Denton, go to Fort Worth on that division and thence to Dallas via the Texas and Pacific in order to reach here at all.

### AT SAN ANTONIO.

**Damage to Property Will Amount to Five Thousand Dollars.**

San Antonio, Texas, March 28.—A rain-storm partaking of the nature of a twister and moving at the rate of forty-two miles per hour struck this city at 2 o'clock this afternoon. One-half of the roof of the brew house and two large smokestacks of the Lone Star brewery were taken off; a frame house on South Flores street and a large ironclad blacksmith shop at the corner of East Houston and Nacogdoches streets were completely wrecked and a corner of the San Antonio Female college at West End was blown down. A mile and a half of bill and sign boards were wrecked and thousands of trees broken in two or blown down. The damage to property is estimated at about \$5000.

### DOWNPOUR AT KENNEY.

**Rain Fell in Torrents and Flooded the Country.**

Kenney, Texas, March 28.—It has been cloudy and light rain falling nearly all day. About 4:40 p. m. the wind changed with heavy wind from the northwest. The ground was covered with a solid sheet of water within twenty minutes after it blew up. It is still raining slowly now at 5:30 p. m., and looks like it will continue some time. Crops were needing rain badly, but this will injure them. Hillside lands will be badly washed by this flood and many farmers will have to plant over.

### BLOWN A HUNDRED YARDS.

**Aerial Voyage of a Farm House Near Missouri City.**

Missouri City, Texas, March 28.—A heavy north wind struck this place at 6:25 p. m., doing considerable damage to property. The barn of J. H. Davis was blown over, breaking his buggy and causing other damage to property stored.

A new building just started by T. E. Howell was blown down, and several residences were blown off the blocks, one house on Colonel Joe Eaton's ranch being blown a hundred yards, with two employees in it, but they received only slight injuries. Other buildings on his place were scattered for several hundred yards. Can get no report from north of this place in the immediate vicinity, owing to the falling rain and the Stygian darkness which prevails.

### Damage to Fruit.

Luling, Texas, March 28.—A southeast gale with spells of rain has been blowing all day; about half an inch of rain fell last night. The heavy wind is playing havoc with fruit as it is just beginning to form from the buds and is easily whipped off.

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## FLOOD IN THE BRAZOS.

**A FOURTEEN-FOOT RISE REPORTED AT WACO.**

**Tributaries Are Full and a Tremendous Lot of Water Is Coming Down Rapidly.**

Waco, Texas, March 28.—Rain has been falling here all day and is still falling with a prospect of a continuance through the night. At times through the day the downpour was copious and it is estimated that the precipitation is much greater than on any day this year thus far.

The Brazos river began rising at 4 o'clock this afternoon and at 7:30 had risen fourteen feet. It was at that hour rising very rapidly and the indications are that it will be out of its banks before morning. The river has never been known to rise so rapidly before and grave fears are entertained as to the result.

Reports from tributaries north and west are that heavy floods are coming, which have not yet had time to reach this point.

Little Steele creek bridge of the Texas Central near Morgan was washed away and the passenger train due here from Albany at 3:30 did not arrive and is held up at Morgan.

The Bouquies are flooding their bottoms and reports came from McGregor that the North Bouquie near Valley Mills had washed away 1000 feet of the Santa Fe track.

Heavy hail fell at McGregor and it is thought some damage was done.

### DAMAGE TO RAILROADS.

**Santa Fe Bridges Are Said to Have Been Washed Away.**

Dispatches received at several railway offices last night stated that much damage had been done along all the lines by the storm of yesterday. The greatest damage heard of before the wires were reported down is on the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe. All the bridges between Cleburne and Morgan were reported washed away, and all lines were notified of same, so as to be guided in shipments. Heavy gangs of men have been sent out on all lines to look after any damage.

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A city electric light tower on West Sixth street was bent to the ground.

In addition to the losses mentioned, a large number of shanties, particularly in the negro quarters of the city, were wrecked.

Across the river there was one house damaged slightly.

Reports from the rural districts, north-west of Austin, directly in the path of the storm, are to the effect that the damage was not extensive.

The rain was the heaviest in years.

Austin, Texas, March 28.—Further reports from the storm show that little damage was done for thirty miles east of here.

The southbound Houston and Texas Central train, due to leave here at 8 p. m., is still at the depot and will not depart until 6 a. m.

Reports came this evening that the track was washed out near Manor, fifteen miles east of Austin, which the local representatives deny. Their wires, up till 11 o'clock were down all south of Ledbetter, sixty-eight miles east of Austin, and their trains on the branch are at a standstill.

A bad washout is reported on the Santa Fe north of Brenham, but no reliable information can be obtained.

Early in the evening the Katy reported a bad condition of track, and it is entirely gone in some places, which later advices say has been repaired and the line opened.

A freight train arrived over the Central late tonight, bringing reports of nothing beyond a severe wind along the line.

There was greater damage to smaller buildings through the country than first supposed, and also in Austin, where the storm appears to have been much more severe.

The roof of Wheat's feed store on Sixth street was blown off.

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## TODAY'S FEATURES.

**Crete.**

Italian warship fired on Christians. Two hundred thousand Russian troops are to be concentrated on the frontier. Minister Terrell asked for guards for American missionaries.

Collective note prepared demanding withdrawal of the troops of Greece and Turkey.

Christians lying on the roadside dead from starvation. Opposition to Cretan principality under a Greek ruler.

### Foreign.

The prosecution of Deputies Naquet, Maret and Bayer for complicity in the Panama scandals was authorized by the committee of deputies.

Green Britain is becoming aroused against Kruger and 60,000 troops are preparing for a South African campaign.

Sanction of Morocco has prohibited pilgrimages to Mecca on account of danger from the plague.

Mohammedans in India resist the measures of the government for the suppression of the plague.

### Cuba.

Pastorale are dying of starvation. Official notification received of the landing of Hailor with men and arms.

### Domestic.

Senate to vote on arbitration treaty this week. House will vote on tariff bill. Anxiety continues over Mississippi floods. Main levee reported broken.

Important officers to be nominated today.

### State.

Commissioner Baker gives notice of the new land forfeiture law. Robert T. Nixon, large ranchman of Southeast Texas, is dead.

Heavy damage suit filed at Sherman for personal injuries.

Storm did damage at Austin and Smithville.

Damage to railroads reported to be heavy.

Mayor & Adler of San Antonio assigned. North Texas roads tied up by the heavy rains.

Trinity is on a big boom again and drift indicates heavy rains.

Reported that Calvert was almost completely destroyed and several persons injured.

Rumored that the Central's passenger train was wrecked near Ennis.

Brazos overflowing the bottoms and washed away 1000 feet of Santa Fe track.

### Legislative.

Presler uniform text book bill will be heard tonight when it comes up in the senate Tuesday.

Senator Darwin will introduce a State railway survey resolution.

### Railroads.

A large number of railroad officials leave for Austin. One hundred and twenty-five laborers were taken to West Lake last night to work on the Kansas City, Pacific and Gulf.

Special excursions to all portions of the State.

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## DYING FROM FAMINE.

**Inhabitants of Crete Lying Unburied by the Roadside.**

**CHEERING FOR PRINCE CONSTANTINE.**

**The Multitude in Athens Shouted "For Union and War."**

**LAND FORCES ARE CALLED FOR.**

**Italy Asked to Send Troops--Opposition to a Cretan Principality Under a Greek Ruler.**

London, March 28.—The Daily Graphic understands that the British proposal to Greece and Turkey to withdraw their armies from the frontier actually originated at Athens.

The Turks now occupy all the passes in the mountains and the best strategic positions. According to the Daily Graphic the Greeks proposed a simultaneous withdrawal in order to be able to capture these positions by a rush back after making a truce at compliance.

A dispatch to the Times from Athens says that when it became known Saturday afternoon that the Crown Prince Constantine would leave the city in the evening for the Greek camp at Larissa to take command of the Greek army in the field, a large crowd gathered on Constantinian Square adjoining the palace. As the evening approached the crowd increased to a multitude, and the square and streets adjacent were filled with an excited crowd, cheering, singing patriotic songs and firing revolvers. The populace shouted "For union and war," and cheered continually for the crown prince and the army. After an address by a popular orator a deputation was chosen to present an address to the crown prince.

The demonstrations of the crowd increased during the service in the palace chapel, and thousands gathered in front of the palace to witness the departure of Prince Constantine. Great disappointment was expressed when later it became known that the crown prince had left the palace privately. An immense throng, including many thousands of Cretans, assembled on the quays at Piræus, brilliantly illuminated by lights, to witness the embarkation. The wildest enthusiasm was displayed, with shouting, cheering and the incessant discharge of firearms.

The Daily Mail's Rome correspondent says today that Admiral Canavaro, commanding the international fleet in Cretan waters, has wired to the Italian government to send immediately a land force, which is imperatively necessary in case the Cretan insurrection, Admiral Canavaro, it is understood, asserts the existence in the interior of the island are so terrible as the result of famine and hardship that even the lepers are leaving the lazaret house. The inhabitants are panic stricken, and the dead lie by the roadside unburied.

A dispatch to the Times from Canavaro says that one of the correspondents of that newspaper was present during the fighting. At Malakka a prisoner was captured by the Cretan and held as a spy. He would probably have been shot but for the opportune arrival of an American journalist and the insurgent leader, Manos, an old Oxford man, who is at the head of a band of young Cretans whom he personally equipped. Manos was first to enter the block house when the Turks evacuated it, and he prevailed on the insurgents to spare the lives of forty-three Turkish prisoners. It is rumored that the bombardment by the international fleet on Friday created serious havoc among Christians. There is some danger of a Mohammedan uprising on account of the scarcity of food.

The correspondent of the Times at Athens says that today a vigorous movement has been set on foot against the proposal to establish Crete as a principality under a Greek prince. The Ethniké Heteria has published a manifesto declaring that this is the most impracticable solution yet proposed, and concludes a deliberate design to separate the island from the Greek race and to subject it to foreign control. The manifesto says: "All the calamities that could be involved in the defeat of Greece are preferable to the internal convulsions which the acceptance of such a project would entail."

### Guards Asked For.

Constantinople, March 28.—Owing to fears of further disturbances in the Vilayet of Sivas, United States Minister Terrell has asked the porte to resume the military guards at the residences of the American missionaries. There is a feeling of uneasiness here because of the rumor that the Armenians who participated in the

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